

Please provide thoughtful and telling answers to the questions at the bottom of the list.

1. **ardor** (n.) Fiery intensity of feeling. *The film conveyed a sense of ardor through its use of color and sound.*
2. **formidable** (adj.) Causing fear, apprehension, or dread. *The giant was a formidable opponent.*
3. **guile** (n.) Treacherous cunning; skillful deceit. *The con artist displayed guile in his ability to trick the old woman.*
4. **peril** (n.) Exposure to injury, loss, or destruction; grave risk; jeopardy; danger. *Hanging from the edge of a cliff left them in great peril.*
5. **plunder** (v.) To rob of goods or valuables by open force, as in war or hostile raids. *With the town in flames, soldiers plundered all that was left.*
6. **ponderous** (adj.) Of great weight; heavy; massive. *The vehicle was so ponderous it took three men to move it off the road.*
7. **profusion**(n.) Abundance; a great quantity or amount. *There was a profusion of supply, lowering prices in most markets.*
8. **shun** (v.) To avoid deliberately. *He was lonely after his betrayal because the entire town shunned him.*
9. **tumult** (n.) A general outbreak, riot, uprising, or other disorder. *The rigged elections led to a massive tumult in the streets of Kabul.*
10. **valor** (n.) Boldness or determination in facing great danger. *Achilles was known as a man of great valor on the battlefield.*
11. **abode** (n.) 1. A place in which a person resides; residence; dwelling; habitation; home. 2. An extended stay in a place; sojourn. *My trip through the crowded streets of Rio led me to long for my quiet country abode.*
12. **parry** (v.) To deflect, evade, or avoid. *Michael attempted to parry my inquiries, but I pressed until he was forced to answer.*
13. **conjecture** (n.) Inference or judgment based on incomplete evidence; guesswork. -(v.) To infer from inconclusive evidence; guess. *The conjectures of the commission were met with wide criticism.*

14. **interloper** (n.) One that interferes with the affairs of others, often for selfish reasons; a meddler. *His nosy involvement in everyone else's affairs earned my brother the dubious title of "The Interloper."*
15. **vociferous** (adj.) Making, given to, or marked by noisy and vehement outcry. *It is only the most vociferous cries that will be heard during this era of oppression.*
16. Greek Root: **dem, demo**: "people" *demagogue, democratic, democratize, epidemic*
17. Latin Root: **fin**: "end," "boundary," "limit" *affinity, confine, definitive, finale, finis*

QUESTIONS:

1. If a greeting card contained a message of ardor, what might it say?
2. Under what circumstances might a river be described as formidable?
3. When would guile serve someone well?
4. How might a tumult put someone in peril?
5. If someone plundered a doughnut shop what would that mean?
6. What sort of object might be described as ponderous and why?
7. On a beach one can find a profusion of what?
8. What sort of behavior might lead someone to be shunned by his friends?
9. When is tumult encouraged in a high school setting?
10. What sort of Halloween costume would convey valor, and why?
11. What is your ideal abode?
12. When would being able to parry serve someone well?
13. Would it be better for a judge or a doctor to conjecture? Why?
14. Should an interloper be shunned? Why?
15. Is a shy person likely to be vociferous? Why or why not?